IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Ali AMARA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1648

Application No.: 10/700,491

Examiner: Stacy Brown Chen

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For:

COMPOSITIONS COMPRISING DC-SIGN BLOCKERS AND METHODS OF USING DC-SIGN **BLOCKERS FOR PREVENTING** OR TREATING DISEASES OF A MAMMAL, INCLUDING VIRAL

INFECTIONS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant petitions for a three-month extension of time to file a reply to the Office Action of September 28, 2007. A fee of \$1,050.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any additional extensions of time required to enter the attached reply and charge any additional required fees to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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